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Scope and Content:	Items regarding local history particularly focusing on Loyalists, Thorold, St. Johns, Niagara-on-the-Lake and the War of 1812.		
Summary of Contents:	<p>1.1 <i>Life in the Pioneer Districts of Upper Canada, 1815-1840</i> by James John Talman, 1974</p> <p>1.2 Journal excerpts, correspondence and diary excerpts (photocopied). These items pertain to: Major-General Stephen Van Rensselaer, Hon. Wm. Eustis, Major Thomas Evans, Major-General Riall, Sir Gordon Drummond, Major-General Jacob Brown, Sir George Prevost, Brigadier-General Winfield Scott, Colonel James Miller, Captain L. Austin, Major-General B. Porter, Governor D.D. Tompkins, Colonel H. Leavenworth, Major John Norton, Major Hindman and T.S. Jessop, 1812-1816, n.d.</p> <p>1.3 Brief excerpt from the biography of Samuel Birdsall (1785-1864), n.d.</p> <p>1.4-1.5 Thorold Township lots, n.d.</p> <p>1.6 <i>Some Sources in the Study of the Loyalist and Canadian Participation in the Military Campaign of Lieutenant-General John Burgoyne 1777</i> by Stephen G. Strach, 1981</p> <p>1.7 The Fenian invasion including information on Dr. Richard S. King, n.d.</p> <p>1.8 Our men in the War of 1812 including lists of numbers of casualties at Chippawa and Lundy's Lane and information on the soldier's uniforms and equipment of the Lincoln Militia prior to May 1813, n.d.</p> <p>1.9 <i>One Man's Opinions of his Fellow Men</i> (a talk by Colin Duquemin regarding Zenas Fell), 2003</p>		

	1.10 <i>Regional Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake Field Trip Guide compiled by John L. Field, 1984</i>		
Physical Description:	13 cm. (1/4 box) containing photocopied articles		
Biographical / Administrative Notes:	<p>Most items in this collection contain extremely brief descriptions, but the Thorold files: 1.4-1.5 are quite comprehensive and contain information on land transactions made by John Darling, Benjamin Canby, Samuel Vaughn Sr., Matthew Haney, Charles Fell, Job Orme, George Brooks, Hugh Patterson, Hudson Kellogg, Zenas Fell, John Gore, John Street, David Willson, James Haney and John Wilkerson among others.</p> <p>1.7 Dr. Richard S. King, 1817-1885, practiced medicine at Stonebridge or Humberstone. In 1846, he moved to Port Robinson and remained there for the rest of his life. In 1861, along with Capt. Verner, he organized the Welland Canal Field Battery to protect the Welland Canal. The Fenian Raid in 1866 was a significant event for the Welland Canal Field Battery. By 1870, King was promoted to the rank of Major and was in charge of all militia in the district.</p> <p>1.9 Zenas Fell, 1808-1885, was an educated man, a mathematician, a Provincial land surveyor and a merchant. He operated a store in St. Johns from about 1832-1851. St. Johns, which is also known as St. Johns West, Short Hills, and Steel's Mills is a rural community in Thorold, Ontario.</p>		
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